

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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WEEKLY SERVICES

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| Sat | 11th | 6.00pm | St Wilfrid's - Deceased Relatives & Friends of Gaglione Family The Baptism of the Lord (White Flower Appeal Today) (Pax Christi Collection next Sunday) |
| Sun | 12th | 9.00am | St George's - Margaret Geering's Intention |
| | | 10.30am | St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention |
| Mon | 13th | 2.30pm | St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays |
| Tue | 14th | 10.00am | St George's - Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Wed | 15th | 10.00am | St Wilfrid's - John Barnes |
| Thur | 16th | 9.30am | St George's - Mrs Pamela Russell RIP |
| Fri | 17th | 10.00am | St Wilfrid's - No Service |
| Sat | 18th | 6.00pm | St Wilfrid's - Encinas Family Intention Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Pax Christi Collection Today) |
| Sun | 19th | 9.00am | St George's - John Bree RIP |
| | | 10.30am | St Wilfrid's - Parish Communities' Intention |

IMPORTANT: Going into hospital? Would like a visit from the Catholic Chaplaincy? Ring 417400, ext. 4145 and leave a message for the Catholic Chaplain. Please also let Fr Rory know. Catholic Mass in the hospital Chapel every Friday at 3pm.

St Thomas a Becket Nursery School: Tel 01323 725977 **St Thomas a Becket Primary School:** Tel 01323 737221
St Richard's Catholic College, Bexhill: Tel 01424 731070

New to the Parish or would like to get back in touch but not sure how? Please complete the welcome form available in the porch and/or make yourself known to Fr. Rory. *It would be great to get to know you and offer any help.*

USEFUL PARISH INFORMATION

St Wilfrid's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 832577
St George's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 870990
St George's & St Wilfrid's Finance Committee Treasurers Charles Piegrome & Monika Beaver
Chairperson of the Finance Committee Peter Dromgoole
ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE ABOVE VIA THE PRIEST'S HOUSE PLEASE
Polegate Hall Hire.....Tel: (01323) 504753
Hailsham Hall Hire Tel: (01323) 841504 - Mon, Wed, Fri Morning or email at above address
Prayer LineJean Barham-Wyatt Tel: (01323) 842824

CROSSLINK CHURCHES TOGETHER, HAILSHAM

POLEGATE CHURCHES TOGETHER

Contact: Margaret Piegrome 01323 870990
Contact Care: 07900 823138

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are unwell: Lily May, Edna Andrews, Juliette Lusted, Evelyn South, Jennifer Piskac, Margaret Gearing, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne Holt, Margaret, Lilian Summers, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Angela & Michael Archer, Chris Browne, Chris Neyenhuizen, Fr Rory, Letty & Douglas Booth and Michael Copper.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THOSE NAMED IN THE BOOKS IN OUR CHURCHES

Newsletter items: Please send to Jackie at ssgeorge.wilfrid@btinternet.com, tel.841504 or by hand marked

NEWSLETTER, to Fr. Rory's House by 9am Wednesday.

Office Hours Monday 9am-1pm, Wednesday 8.45am-12.45pm & Friday 9am-12.30pm

Fr Rory Writes:

It's me, it's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of pray'r.

Not my brother or my sister, but it's me, O Lord. Standin' in the need of prayer. Not my brother or my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of pray'r.

This time last year I suffered an Acute Psychotic Episode, and with the help of the hospital and all others involved, I made a very good recovery, thank God. This recovery is well established and I am feeling very well about that. Unfortunately it also gave me a problem that at this time I do not have my driving license, but am engaged in the process of getting it back as quickly as possible. In the meantime, I rely upon your prayers and support. I am very grateful to all who have provided transport for me and I continue to need your prayers.

A Prayer for Peace

Draw near us Lord, source of all peace and wisdom, Let your rays of peace circle the globe,
Lighting all paths in their wake. Let the power of your peace radiate through the darkness
Illuminating the minds and hearts of your faithful. May your Peace inspire acts of unconditional love,
Unfettering the chain of selfishness, greed and pain. Release the dove of peace into all homes,
Inspiring love, joy and serenity, This we pray through Christ Our Lord.
Amen



White Flower Appeal 2020: The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal this weekend. On 21st October 2019 the most extreme abortion regime in Europe was imposed on the people of Northern Ireland by the government at Westminster. Abortion will now be permitted for any reason up until at least 24 weeks, and even beyond that. The abortion lobby now wants to introduce this in England and Wales. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers from this new attack.

Peace Sunday 19th January 2020

The work of Pax Christi is based on the gospel and inspired by faith. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace, without fear of violence in all its forms. Rooted in Catholic Christianity, we work with all who share our values to abolish war and create communities of peace and justice.

Attention St George's: There will be no tea/coffee in the hall after Mass on Tuesday 14th January, due to the hall being booked.

Wool for the Baby Unit at EDGH: We are going to have a sales table at St George's Hall during January 2020, to raise money to purchase wool, so that we may continue to knit garments and blankets for the Baby Unit at the EDGH. All unwanted Christmas presents will be most welcome and any suitable objects. Please give them to Tessa, Cathy or Margaret Neville. Thank you.

Are You Married? – Your diocese needs You!

The newly formed Eastbourne and St Leonards Deanery is looking for couples/married individuals who would be prepared to help assist in preparing couples for marriage. No training is necessary and there are a variety of ways in which you can help. If you are interested in finding out what is involved and how you might help without committing yourself you are invited to attend a social gathering of the small group who are already looking to help at the Church of Christ the King, 3 Princes Road, Eastbourne BN23 6HT at 7pm on Thursday 16th January 2020. We need your help!

St George's Bible Study Group: A Bible Study group takes place every Tuesday at 6.30pm. Sessions last 1 hour. For more information please ring Merce (07855452741)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Thurs 30th Jan Afternoon Tea, St Wilfrid's Hall, 2-4pm
Fri 31st Jan Bereavement Group, St Wilfrid's Hall, 11.15am
Sat 1st Feb Grand Table Top Sale, St Wilfrid's Hall, 10am-3pm

Afternoon Tea at St Wilfrid's: Thursday 30th January 2020 from 2-4pm, in St Wilfrid's Church Hall. All over 50's any religion/no religion are most welcome. If transport is a problem please speak to Joan on 849732. Look forward to seeing you there for a cup of tea and a chat.

Ecumenical Mental Health Project: Green for Go! Go for Help! Please see the poster on the Church notice board giving details of services available for people in crisis. This time of year can be difficult for many people, these contacts might help the person sitting next to you in the church or someone you meet in the street. As you leave the church why not take a photo of the poster to store on your phone? If you are interested in the Mental Health Project do get in touch:
catherine.martindale@abdiocese.org.uk

St Wilfrid's Sales Table: Has been re-furnished and new items displayed on the Welsh Dresser, two honesty pots are provided for your generous donations. The money going to various needs of our parish i.e. December takings have been given towards our sound system in the church and hall. Any suitable times and unwanted presents etc. may be left in the church porch/hall marked "Sales Table". Thank you.

COLLECTIONS: (4th/5th Jan)

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| St George's | £185.50 |
| Weekly aver./Monthly D/D | £146.33 |
| St Wilfrid's | £203.20 |
| Crib, Catholic Children's Society | £134.84 |
| Weekly aver. of DD | £204.60 |
| Attendances: St W's 118 St G's 94 | |
| Thank you for your continued generosity | |
| If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes. | |

Bonus Ball:

Sat 4th Jan
No: 11
C Hyland

Wed 31st Dec
No: TBC